

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND IRRIGATION**

**Call to Order:** By **CHAIRMAN KEN (KIM) HANSEN**, on March 16, 2005  
at 3:00 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen, Chairman (D)  
Sen. Keith Bales (R)  
Sen. John Brueggeman (R)  
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)  
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)  
Sen. Frank Smith (D)  
Sen. Corey Stapleton (R)  
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Jon Tester (D)

**Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Present:** Annie Glover, Committee Secretary  
Doug Sternberg, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 5, 3/9/2005  
Executive Action: HJ 5, HB 351

00:00:03

HEARING ON HJ 5

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. VERONICA SMALL-EASTMAN (D), HD 42, opened the hearing on HJ 5, Urge USDA to refer to beef industry as United States beef industry.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:01:21            Mr. Steve Pilcher, Montana Stockgrowers  
                         Association

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00:02:57            Mr. Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union

00:03:35            Ms. Pat Torgerson, Montana Women Involved in Farm  
                         Economics

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

00:04:27

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:05:25

Closing by Sponsor:

SEN. PEASE will carry HJ 5 on the Senate Floor.

00:06:20

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 5

Motion: SEN. PEASE moved that HJ 5 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:07:32

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 351

Discussion:

Motion: SEN. SMITH moved that HB 351 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion: SEN. SMITH moved that HB 351 BE AMENDED WITH  
HB035101.ADS.

[EXHIBIT](#)(ags58a02)

Discussion:

Vote: Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with SEN. PEASE and SEN.  
STAPLETON voting no.

Motion/Vote: SEN. SMITH moved that HB 351 BE CONCURRED IN AS  
AMENDED. Motion carried 6-2 by voice vote with SEN. PEASE and  
SEN. STAPLETON voting no.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 4:00 P.M.

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SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN, Chairman

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ANNIE GLOVER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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